

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 3258 - HB 3873**

March 2, 2010

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes a local education agency to convert regular public schools to a public charter school. Requires the State Board of Education (SBOE) to approve the conversion of charter schools. Authorizes LEAs to serve as the governing body of an LEA sponsored charter school.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant**

**Other Fiscal Impact – There will be a shift in state and local BEP funding from the LEA to the charter school once the conversion is complete. Any conversion under the provisions of the bill is permissive. Any shift in funding is permissive. Such a shift is estimated to be approximately \$5,700 per ADM split 70/30 between the state and the LEA respectively.**

**Assumptions:**

- No increase in local expenditures. LEAs are converting existing public schools. The only fiscal impact will be a shift in funding to the newly converted school.
- Converted public charter schools will be funded just as existing public charter schools.
- The SBOE will approve LEA-sponsored charter schools within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion. Any increase in state expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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James W. White, Executive Director

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